



**Discipline Advisor in Civil Engineering
Fiji National University
Suva, Fiji**

About the assignment

We are looking for a current or retired Professor of Civil Engineering who can live and volunteer in a hybrid role both in-country (for at least three and up to ten months) and online (up to nine months) in 2026 to:

- support the development of a road-map for civil engineering at the University, including program design, staffing, laboratory facilities and research directions; and
- support the professional development of the academic staff in civil engineering.

About Fiji National University

Fiji National University (FNU) serves the people, the economy and society of Fiji and the wider Pacific region, by providing education and training for employability, with an excellent student experience; carrying out research with real-world impact, aligned to national priorities and with global relevance; engaging proactively with stakeholders; and demonstrating leadership in sustainability. With 26,000 students and 2,00 staff, FNU has campuses throughout the country.

About Australian Academic Volunteers Abroad

Australian Academic Volunteers Abroad (AAVA) is a nonprofit organisation that supports the strategic development goals of universities in the Indo-Pacific region by matching their teaching and research priorities with suitably qualified and motivated volunteers who are current or recently retired senior academic or professional staff from accredited universities.

About the Australian Volunteers Program

The Australian Volunteers Program is an Australian government-funded initiative which supports partner organisations across the Indo-Pacific region to achieve locally led change. Volunteers mobilised under this program receive well-being support, travel costs, insurances and a modest stipend. This is a safe and affordable way to make a difference.

Requirements

- Extensive experience at a senior academic level in civil engineering.
- Extensive experience managing complex strategic reviews and implementation processes in higher education, including curriculum development and engagement with the profession.
- Experience in mentoring and supporting the careers of others.
- Program volunteers must be Australian citizens, or holders of a Permanent Residency Visa of Australia, or New Zealand residents in Australia with a Special Category Visa.

Application

Submit an expression of interest with a brief CV to graham.schaffer@academicvolunteers.org.au. Further information at <https://www.academicvolunteers.org.au>.